



November 29, 2017

BID PROTEST

04-3G3644

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AND MARIN COUNTY ON ROUTE 580 AT THE RICHMOND SAN
RAFAEL BRIDGE (NO. 28-0100)
PROJECT ID: 0412000064

Caltrans / Engineer's Office
Fax: 916-227-6282

Dear Sirs:

Bleyco, Inc. is submitting this protest based on the following:

1. Bleyco, Inc prepared a complete estimate including obtaining the Plans, Specifications and addendums. As well as attending the mandatory pre-bid meeting and site visit.
2. Performing quantity takeoffs, requesting quotations from suppliers. We compiled the data into prices for each bid item
3. We attempted to enter the into the online bid system. We had confidence in being able to submit a bid as we had successfully submitted a prime bid recently. Unbeknownst to us the online system was modified since our last bid.
4. Although we started entering bid prices in the hours prior to the bid time we were unable to finish one final bid item until approximately one hour before the 2pm bid time. This was due to the tardiness of one supplier that was the specified soul source for a major portion of the bid.
5. Upon entering the bit of information and bid item and attempting to submit our bid we found it would not enter the bid into the system, we immediately contacted the technical support for the bid system but by the time we could be helped by tech support to analyze help correct the issue and be made aware of the changes in the bid system it was too late.
6. In attempting to comply under the guidance of tech support our information was erased and we ran out of time reentering the information and bid amounts. So we were unable to submit our bid.

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Please consider this formal protest as we feel strongly we were a prime bidder on this project and we were not able to use the third party system as a result of their recent change. If you should have any questions, please call me directly at 510-557-1506.

Sincerely,



Chris Berge
Vice President

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LICENSE #540588

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